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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 14 November 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

UNIFIL (S/2000/1049)

Sierra Leone

Solomon Islands

Other matters

Morning*	4221st meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Georgia

Report of the Secretary-General concerning the situation in Abkhazia, Georgia (S/2000/1023)

3.30 p.m.	4222nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

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* Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP
ON GENERAL ISSUES ON SANCTIONS

3.30 p.m.	10th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

Hearings of the following experts: Professor Serhiy Berezovenko, Ukrainian Institute for International Relations, Kiev National University; Dr. Tono Eitel, Ambassador and former Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait; and Professor Tim Niblock, Head, Institute for Arab and Islamic Studies, Exeter University (London)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	61st plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Election of one member of the Economic and Social Council: letter from the Permanent Representative of Greece addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/55/523) [15 (b)]
2. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: draft decision (A/55/L.4) [18]
3. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina: draft resolution (A/55/L.31) [45]

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION
COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 2

Questions relating to information [87] (A/55/21 and A/55/452)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conf R

Informal consultations on agenda item 169 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (A/C.5/55/16))

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Hum sources management (A/55/253 and Corr.1, A/55/270, 168, A/55/427, A/55/499, A/55/399 and Corr.1, A/ A/C.5/54/21, A/54/257, A/54/279 and Corr.1, A/C.5/ A/C.5/54/L.3, A/C.5/54/2, A/54/450, A/C.5/55/CRP A/C.5/55/CRP.2); Reports of the Office of Internal Ov Services (A/55/397 and A/55/352 and Corr.1); Report Joint Inspection Unit: Administration of Justice at the Nations (A/55/57 and Add.1 and A/55/514); and Mana irregularities causing financial losses to the Organizatio under agenda item 116 (A/54/793 and A/55/499)))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	28th meeting	Tru Council C

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [164 37, A/55/179 and Add.1 and A/C.6/55/L.2)

Status of the Protocole additional to the Geneva Convention of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts [155]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.15

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives [156]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.8 (and Corr.1)

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.6 under agenda item 159 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session)

* Following the adjournment of the 28th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, 14 November 2000, there will be meetings of interested delegations on draft proposals, as follows:

Conference Room 9: A/C.2/55/L.2 (item 92 (e)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Conference Room D: A/C.2/55/L.20 (item 95 (b)), from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 14 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

Announcement

There will be a meeting of the Friends of the Secretary-General for Kosovo *today*, 14 November 2000, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 14 November 2000

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda items 97 (Training and Research), 100 (Globalization and interdependence) and 101 (High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development))

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m. - 2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5

GROUP OF LAND-LOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

2 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

GROUP OF LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES

3 p.m. - 4 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 1

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda items 101 (High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development) and 102 (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries))

3 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(environmental issues and agenda item 95 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21)

6 p.m. - 10 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda items 12 (Report of the Economic and Social Council), 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) 99 (Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) and on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.19))

6 p.m. - 10 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

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Workshop

The United Nations University will hold a workshop on "Building Conflict Prevention Capacity: Methods, Experiences, Needs" *today*, 14 November 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the New York office of the United Nations University (tel.: (212) 963-6346).

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on the draft resolution regarding item 42 (Special session of the General Assembly in 2001 for follow-up to the World Summit for Children) will be held *today*, 14 November 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 November 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

The Web site of the Netherlands Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/netherlands.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 15 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

9.30 a.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 1

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Equatorial Guinea (A/55/237) [8]

10 a.m.	62nd plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [105]: for the sole purpose of taking action on the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the protocols thereto:

   (a) Report of the Ad Hoc Committee (A/55/383 and Add.1)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/383, paragraph 121)

2. Special session of the General Assembly in 2001 for follow-up to the World Summit for Children [42]

   (a) Report of the Preparatory Committee (A/55/43 (Parts I and II))

   (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/429)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	29th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	30th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

The 3rd meeting of the Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 182 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit) will be held on Tuesday, 21 November 2000, at 3 p.m., in Conference Room 1, to consider a Conference Room Paper (A/55/CRP.1) entitled "Elements for a draft resolution on the follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit submitted by the President of the General Assembly".

The Conference Room Paper is available in all official languages of the United Nations in room S-2925.

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Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Briefing

There will be a briefing to launch the final report of the World Commission on Dams, entitled "Dams and Development: A New Framework for Decision-Making", under the chairmanship of Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Chairman of the Second Committee, on Friday, 17 November 2000, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The speakers will include Mr. Klaus Toepfer, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme; Professor Kader Asmal, Chairman of the Commission and Minister of Education of South Africa, and Mr. Achim Steiner, Secretary-General of the World Commission on Dams.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representative of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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The 12th meeting of the resumed first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee for the High-Level Intergovernmental Event on Financing for Development will be held on Thursday, 16 November 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The 2nd meeting of the Credentials Committee will be held on Monday, 4 December 2000, at 10 a.m. Delegations that have not submitted credentials are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rule of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420A).

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The Security Council Working Group on General Issues on Sanctions will meet on 15 and 16 November 2000, in Conference Room 7, as follows: Wednesday, 15 November, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. (11th meeting), to hear Mr. David Malone, President, International Peace Academy (on Clusters II and III) and representatives of the Secretariat; and Thursday, 16 November, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. (12th meeting), to discuss the draft recommendations concerning the improvements of the effectiveness of United Nations sanctions.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 21 November 2000, at 10 a.m. sharp, in Conference Room 9.

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (6 to 16 March 2001). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Women, the girl child and HIV/AIDS; and (2) Gender and racial discrimination. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (Room DC2-1259), no later than Thursday, 30 November 2000.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee) on Wednesday, 15 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room B.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on the draft resolution regarding item 37 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard) will be held on Thursday, 16 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Seton Hall University School of Diplomacy and International Relations are jointly organizing a workshop in their Series on the Art of Public Speaking for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday and Friday, 16 and 17 November, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 9 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 53rd meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.66

The representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Azerbaijan, Kuwait and Panama, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.67

The representative of Norway, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Bulgaria, Cameroon and Micronesia (Federated States of), introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.68

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Brazil, Netherlands, Portugal and Slovenia, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.69

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Brazil, Guinea, Netherlands, Slovenia and Tajikistan, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.70

The representative of Mauritania, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the African Group of States and on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Bangladesh, Colombia, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Sweden and the United States of America, introduced the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and special representatives [114 (c)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.42/Rev.2

The representative of the United States, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Andorra, Australia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Malta, Monaco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Spain and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.51/Rev.1

The representative of France, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Andorra, Canada, Iceland and San Marino, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.62/Rev.1

The representative of France, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Japan and Monaco, introduced the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [110]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on revised draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.18/Rev.2

The representative of Uruguay made a statement, announced that Algeria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Georgia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Togo, Turkey, Uganda and Viet Nam had joined in sponsoring the revised draft resolution, and orally corrected the text.

The Committee was informed that the revised draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Committee made an oral statement in connection with the revised draft resolution.

Burundi, Fiji, the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Nepal, the Niger, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu joined in sponsoring the revised draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee adopted the revised draft resolution, as orally corrected, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, Canada, Fiji, Cuba, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, India, Algeria, the Sudan, Australia and Pakistan.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [114 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on revised draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.31/Rev.1

The Secretary made an oral statement in connection with the revised draft resolution.

The Committee was informed that the revised draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Canada announced that Argentina, Denmark, France, Georgia, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Luxembourg, Namibia, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia and the Ukraine joined in sponsoring the revised draft resolution, and further orally revised the revised draft resolution.

Albania, Belgium, Croatia, Fiji, Finland, Malta, Panama and the Republic of Moldova joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Australia.

The Committee adopted the revised draft resolution, as further revised, without a vote.

Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [114 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.34

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Azerbaijan, Indonesia and Oman had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and that the Marshall Islands had been erroneously listed on the document as sponsor of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Burkina Faso, Chad and the Congo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Japan and Chile.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.35

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Mexico announced that Mozambique had joined as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 151 to none, with 9 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Singapore.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Mexico.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan and Lesotho regarding their votes.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.40

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Romania orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Niger, Nigeria and Sri Lanka had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Fiji, Honduras, Kenya, Madagascar, Panama and Sierra Leone joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by Romania and Poland (on behalf of a number of countries).

The representatives of the Libyan Arab Jahamariya, China and the Sudan made statements in explanation of vote before the vote.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 145 to none, with 14 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Egypt, Algeria, Singapore and Viet Nam.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Hungary, France (on behalf of the European Union), Japan (also on behalf Andorra, Australia, Canada, Norway, New Zealand and San Marino) and Romania.

A statement was made by the representative of Ghana regarding her vote.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.43**

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Norway orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Nigeria had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Azerbaijan, Benin, Panama and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Algeria made a statement.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Chairperson suspended the meeting.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.44

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Brazil orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Mauritius and Solomon Islands had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.60

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Committee read out a statement from the Controller in connection with the draft resolution.

The Secretary read out the oral revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

It was announced that Benin and Honduras had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Guyana (also on behalf of Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago).

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the Libyan Arab Jahamariya.

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and special representatives [114 (c)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.49

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of France announced that Australia and Norway joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and orally corrected the English and French texts.

A statement was made by the representative of Yemen.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected, by a recorded vote of 58 to 53 with 48 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, China, Algeria and Pakistan.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Japan, Chile, Philippines, Thailand, Brazil, Guinea and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.50

The committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of France announced that Kuwait and the United States joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, and orally corrected the French text.

A statement was made by the representative of Iraq.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 89 to 2 with 56 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the Sudan and Egypt.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the Syrian Arab Republic, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Sudan.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.65

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.65, submitted by the Chairperson on the basis of informal consultations.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Friday, 10 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE — 54th and 55th meetings

Note The summary of the 54th and 55th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/222)

Monday, 13 November 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4220th meeting

Ensuring an effective role of the Security Council in the maintenance of international peace and security

Letter dated 10 November 2000 from the Chairman of the Security Council Working Group on the Brahimi Report addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/1084)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2000/1085, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/2000/1085).

Decision. The draft resolution (S/2000/1085) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1327 (2000).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Jamaica, the United States, Bangladesh, France, Canada, the Russian Federation, Argentina, the United Kingdom, China, Tunisia, Malaysia, Ukraine, Namibia and Mali, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Netherlands.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

59th plenary meeting

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [32]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/492/Rev.1)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.30)

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/55/L.30.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union), Belarus, India, Egypt, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Saudi Arabia, Algeria, Malaysia, the Philippines, the United Arab Emirates, Yemen, Azerbaijan, Indonesia and Iraq.

60th plenary meeting

United Nations year of dialogue among civilizations [32]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/492/Rev.1)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.30)

Statements were made by the representatives of Qatar, Cyprus, Bangladesh, Singapore, the Russian Federation, Lithuania, Mongolia, Israel and the Republic of Korea.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.30 (resolution 55/23).

Statements in exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Armenia and Azerbaijan.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 32.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 25th meeting

Questions relating to information [87]

The Chairman drew attention to the report of the Secretary-General contained in document A/55/452.

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a statement.

The representative of Indonesia, Rapporteur of the Committee on Information, introduced the report of the Committee (A/55/21).

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of the United Arab Emirates, Malaysia, the Netherlands (on behalf of the Western Group including Member States of the European Union), Colombia (on behalf of the RIO Group), Indonesia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Thailand, the United Republic of Tanzania, and Yemen.

A statement was made by the representative of UNESCO.

On the proposal of the Acting Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate at 6 p.m. on the same day.

Organization of work

The representative of Guyana made a statement.

26th meeting

Questions relating to information [87]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Japan, Cuba, the United States, Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Romania, the Russian Federation, the Central African Republic and Guinea.

The representative of Cuba made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

FIFTH COMMITTEE 27th meeting

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Results-based budgeting

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, the United States, Cuba, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin Thursday, 16 November, in the morning, under the chairmanship of Mr. Michiel Crom (Netherlands).

United Nations common system [124]

United Nations pension system [125]

The Committee resumed its consideration of these agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Colombia (on behalf of the RIO Group) and the United States.

Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East [138]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The report of the Secretary-General was before the Committee in document A/55/482.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the report of that Committee (A/55/516).

The representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (on behalf of the Arab Group) made a statement.

The Chairman announced that the continuation of the general discussion on agenda item 138 (b) would be held on Thursday, 16 November, in the afternoon.

The representative of Lebanon also made a statement on a point of clarification.

Other matters

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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Measures to eliminate international terrorism [164]

The Chairman of the Working Group of the Sixth Committee on terrorism, Mr. Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka), introduced the report of the Working Group A/C.6/55/L.2.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, France (on behalf of the European Union and associated States), Colombia (on behalf of the RIO Group), the United Arab Emirates, the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), the Russian Federation, South Africa, Burkina Faso, Turkey, Qatar and Egypt.

Statement was also made by Israel in the exercise of the right of reply.

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts [155]

The representative of Sweden introduced draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.15.

Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Finland, Guinea, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, South Africa, Spain and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention relating to the Status of Refugees. Geneva, 28 July 1951

Accession: Trinidad and Tobago (10 November 2000)*

Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees. New York, 31 January 1967

Accession: Trinidad and Tobago (10 November 2000)*

International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods. Geneva, 21 October 1982

Accession: Romania (10 November 2000)*

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa. Paris, 14 October 1994

Accession: Bahamas (10 November 2000)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Cambodia (10 November 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

United Nations Television Forum

The fifth annual United Nations World Television Forum on the theme "TV@Globe//Adding Values in the Digital Era" will take place on 16 and 17 November 2000. The Forum will be opened by Mr. Kensaku Hogen, Under-Secretary-General for Public Information, on Thursday, 16 November 2000, at 10.15 a.m. in Conference Room 4. Following opening statements by Mr. Harri Holkeri, President of the General Assembly, Mr. Makarim Wibisono, President of the Economic and Social Council, and H.E. Mr. Lamberto Dini, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy, the Forum will engaged in a dialogue with the Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan. The Forum will then hold a discussion on "How Are Television and News Media Bridging the Digital Divide?" Workshops/roundtables on innovative programming in news and education will be held in the afternoon, followed by a roundtable on television and social advocacy. The Forum will continue on Friday, 17 November, in the morning, with additional workshops and a roundtable devoted to innovative programming in sports, the radio model and digital visionaries. The closing meeting of the Forum will take place in the afternoon. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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